IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA SOUTHERN DIVISION

No. 7:03-CR-00015-F-3

No. 7:16-CV-00073-F

PAUL DARIUS JENNINGS,
Petitioner,
)
ORDER
v.
)

This matter is before the court on Paul Darius Jennings's Motion to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct Sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 [DE-117]. Having examined Jennings's motion pursuant to Rule 4(b) of the Rules Governing § 2255 Proceedings, the United States Attorney is DIRECTED to file an Answer pursuant to Rule 5, Rules Governing § 2255 Proceedings, or to make such other response as appropriate to the above-captioned § 2255 motion, within **forty (40)** days of the filing of this order.

Jennings asserts a challenge based on *Johnson v. United States*, 135 S. Ct. 2551 (2015), and he previously qualified for appointed counsel. Therefore, the Office of the Federal Public Defender is appointed to represent Jennings to determine if he may qualify for post-conviction relief, pursuant to Standing Order No. 15-SO-2 (E.D.N.C. Oct. 16, 2015).

SO ORDERED.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

This <u>17</u> day of April, 2016.

AMES C. FOX

SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE